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## BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

APPLICANT:	Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc.	)	VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD
RELIEF SOUGHT	EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE SPACING LIMITATIONS PRESCRIBED BY VA. CODE § 45.1-361.17 (a) (2) FOR WELL NO. 900011	)	DOCKET NO. VGOB-11-0719-2978
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION:		)	
DRILLING UNIT SERVED BY WELL NUMBERED 900011 TO BE DRILLED IN THE LOCATION DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT A HERETO, Big Sandy Fuel Corporation Tract 47.56 Acres, more or less PRATER QUADRANGLE PRATER DISTRICT BUCHANAN COUNTY, VIRGINIA (the "Subject Lands" are more particularly described on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part		) ) ) ) ) )	
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## REPORT OF THE BOARD

## FINDINGS AND ORDER

- 1. <u>Hearing Date and Place</u>: This matter came on for hearing before the Virginia Gas and Oil Board (hereafter "Board") at **9:00 a.m.** on **July 19, 2011** at the Russell County Conference Center, Highland Drive, Lebanon, Virginia.
- Appearances: <u>Timothy E. Scott of McKinnis & Scott</u>, appeared for the Applicant, Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. ("Range").
- 3. <u>Jurisdiction and Notice</u>: Pursuant to Va. Code §§ 45.1-361.1 *et seq.*, the Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the subject matter. Based upon the evidence presented by Applicant, the Board also finds that the Applicant has (1) exercised due diligence in conducting a meaningful search of reasonably available sources to determine the identity and whereabouts of each gas and oil owner, coal owner, or mineral owner having an interest in Subject Drilling Unit underlying and comprised of Subject Lands; and (2) represented to the Board that it has given notice to those parties (hereafter sometimes "person(s)" whether referring to individuals, corporations, partnerships associations, companies, businesses, trusts, joint ventures or other legal entities) entitled by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19 to notice of this application. Further, the Board has caused notice of this hearing to be published as required by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19.B. Whereupon, the

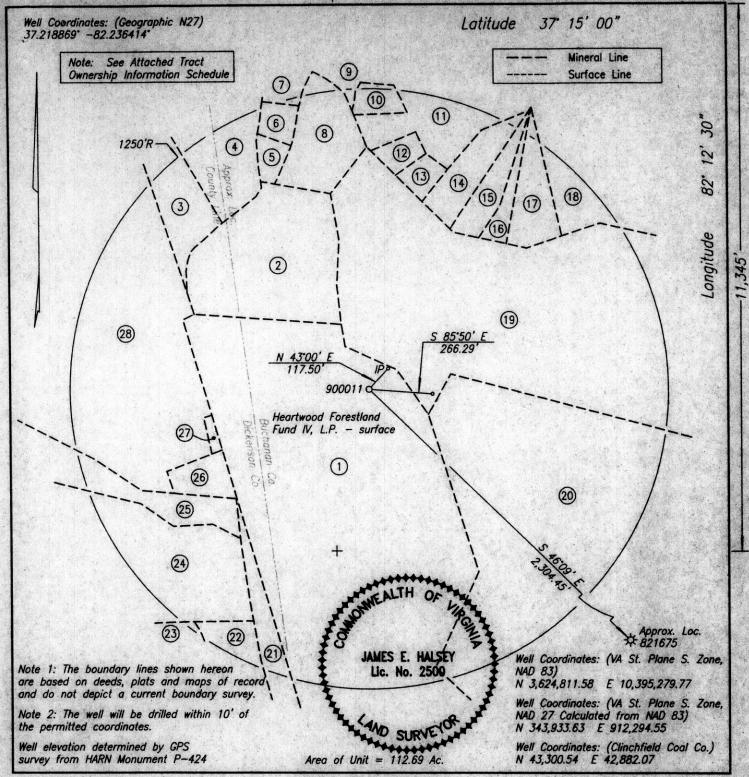
Board hereby finds that the notices given herein satisfy all statutory requirements, Board rule requirements and the minimum standards of state due process.

- 4. Amendments: None.
- 5. <u>Dismissals</u>: None.
- Relief Requested: Applicant requests an exception to the statewide spacing limitations set forth in Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for <u>Well No. 900011</u>.
- 5. Relief Granted: The requested relief in this cause shall be and hereby is granted. The Board hereby grants Applicant consent to permit and drill proposed Well No. 900011 which is 2,304.45 feet from existing Range Well No. 821675 at the location depicted on the Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- Special Findings: The Board specifically and specially finds:
  - 6.1 Applicant is Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. Applicant is duly authorized and qualified to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
  - 6.2 Applicant Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. is an operator in the Commonwealth of Virginia and has satisfied the Board's requirements for operations in Virginia;
  - Applicant claims ownership of Conventional Gas Leases of Subject Drilling Unit and the right to explore for, develop and produce Gas from Well No. 900011 as well as the right to participate and develop the reciprocal wells, being Range Well 821675;
  - The proposed Well No. <u>900011</u> is located on the <u>Big Sandy Fuel Corporation</u> <u>Tract containing 47.56 acres</u> and the surface, coal, gas and oil owners have consented to the proposed location for Well No. <u>900011</u> that is depicted on the Plat attached hereto as **Exhibit A**;
  - 6.5 The Applicant testified it has the right to operate and participate in the development of the reciprocal **Range Well No. 821675 and** that the granting of the application filed herein will not impact the correlative rights of any person;
  - An exception to the well spacing requirements of Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well No. <u>900011</u> is necessary to efficiently drain a portion of the common sources of supply (reservoir) underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and the Board's granting of the requested location exception is in the best interest of preventing the waste of <u>350</u> million cubic feet of Conventional Gas underlying the Subject Drilling Unit, and to generally effect the purposes of the Virginia and Oil Act;
  - Applicant proposes the drilling of Well No. 900029 to a depth of 5,774 feet on the Subject Drilling Unit at the location depicted on Exhibit A to produce all the Mississippian and Devonian Age formations including, but not limited to, Ravencliff, Maxon, Big Lime, Weir, Berea and Devonian Shale, from surface to total depth drilled, 5,774 feet ("Subject Formations");

- 6.8 Applicant proposes to drill Well No. 900011 a distance of 195.55 feet closer to existing Range Well No. 821675 than the 2500 feet mandated by statewide spacing;
- 6.9 Applicant proposes to complete and operate **Well No. 900011** for the purpose of producing Conventional Gas;
- 7. <u>Conclusion</u>: Therefore, the requested relief and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and **IT IS SO ORDERED**.
- 8. Appeals: Appeals of this Order are governed by the provisions of Va. Code Ann. § 45.1-361.9 which provides that any order or decision of the Board may be appealed to the appropriate circuit court. Such appeals must be taken in the manner prescribed in the Administrative Process Act, Va. Code Ann. § 9-6.14:1 et seq. and Rule 2A of the Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court.
- 9. <u>Effective Date</u>: This Order shall be effective as of the date of the Board's approval of this Application, which is set forth at Paragraph 1 above.

DONE AND EXECUTED this day of, 2011, by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.
Chairman, Bradley C. Lambert
Board. DONE AND PERFORMED this 3Rd day of August, 2011, by Order of this
Rick Cooper
Principal Executive to the Staff Virginia Gas and Oil Board
STATE OF VIRGINIA ) COUNTY OF RUSSELL )
Acknowledged on this day of, 2011, personally before me a
notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Bradley C. Lambert, being duly sworn
did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, and appeared production, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive
to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that they executed the same and were authorized to do so.
Diane J. Davis, Motary
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My commission expires: September 30, 2013

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WELL LOCATION PLAT

COMPANY Range Resources—Pine Mountain, Inc. WELL NAME AND NUMBER 900011

TRACT NO. Big Sandy Fuel Corp. ELEVATION 1.731.45' QUADRANGLE Prater

COUNTY Buchanan DISTRICT Prater SCALE 1" = 400' DATE 5-31-2011

This Plat is a new plat x; an updated plat ; or a final location plat \_\_\_\_\_\_

Denotes the location of a well on United States topog 24,000, latitude and longitude lines being represented

Exhibit A

Licensed Professional Engineer of Licens

Exhibit A

Form DGO-GO-7

Big Sandy Fuel Corporation
47.56 Acres
ACIN LLC - coal
Alpha Land & Reserves LLC - coal lessee
WBRD LLC - coal
Dickenson-Russell Coal Company LLC - coal lessee
Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. - oil & gas
Gas 28.95 Ac. 25.69%

Lease No. 450511937 (174750)
 Big Sandy Fuel Corporation
 2613.58 Acres
 ACIN LLC - coal
 Alpha Land & Reserves LLC - coal lessee
 WBRD LLC - coal
 Dickenson-Russell Coal Company LLC - coal lessee
 Elbert Shortridge - surface, oil & gas (Life Estate),
 Carolyn Sue Turner (remainder)
 p/o 5.0 Acres
 Gas 6.78 Ac. 6.02%

3 . Lease No. 450511937 (174750) Elbert Shortridge - surface, oil & gas (Life Estate), Tabitha Jo Dales (remainder) p/o 5.0 Acres Gas 1.69 Ac. 1.50%

 Unleased Levi and Pauline Sutherland - surface, oil & gas 2 acres and 2 acres Gas 2.13 Ac. 1.89%

Lease No. 450270538 (1063793)
 Arnold and Tama Lynn Deel - surface, oil & gas Parcel
 Gas 0.45 Ac. 0.40%

6 Lease No. 450270538 (1063793)
Francis Gay Blankenship - surface, oil & gas
Parcel
Gas 0.51 Ac. 0.45%

7 Lease No. 450270538 (1063793) Johnnie J. Fuller - surface, oil & gas p/o 15 Acres Gas 0.05 Ac. 0.04%

8 . Lease No. 450270540 (1063797) Earl and Beatrice Steel - surface, oil & gas 2 Acres Gas 2.43 Ac. 2.16%

9 . Lease No. 450270540 (1063797) Vertie Oma Coleman heirs - surface, oil & gas ± 9 Acres Gas 0.06 Ac. 0.05%

10 Unleased Steve Allen Bailey & Rita Bailey - surface, oil & gas Parcel Gas 0.48 Ac. 0.43%

11 . Lease No. 450270540 (1063797) Darrell Fenney & Katherine Coleman - surface, oil & gas 4 Acres Gas 2.21 Ac. 1.96%

 Lease No. 450270540 (1063797)
 Clinton & Linda Faye Swiney - surface, oil & gas 1 Acre Gas 0.49 Ac. 0.43%

13 . Lease No. 450270540 (1063797)
Earl Lee & Betty Ruth Coleman - surface, oil & gas
1 Acre
Gas 0.49 Ac. 0.43%

14 . Unleased Donald Deel - surface, oil & gas 1.5 Acre & Parcel Gas 1.47 Ac. 1.30%

15 Lease No. 450270716 (1222412) Andrew J. and Pearlie Deel - surface, oil & gas 2 Parcels Gas 1 03 Ac. 0.91% Jimmy Goebel Mullins - surface, oil & gas Parcel Gas 0.54 Ac. 0.48%

Unleased
 Jerry Lee and Ival Jean Deel - surface, oil & gas
 Parcel
 Gas 1.48 Ac. 1.31%

Lease No. 450271036 (1222302-2)
 Jeffrey O'Quinn (remainder)
 Lease No. 450271036 (1222302-2)
 Dorthenia O'Quinn - surface, oil & gas (Life Estate)
 p/o 15 Acres
 Gas 1.23 Ac. 1.09%

19 Lease No. 450270475 (1064340) Joshua Decl 60.72 Acres ACIN LLC - coal Alpha Land & Reserves LLC - coal lessee WBRD LLC - coal Dickenson-Russell Coal Company LLC - coal lessee Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. - oil & gas Gas 22.17 Ac. 19.67%

20 . Lease No. 450270475 (1064340)
Alex Deel
52.01 Acres
ACIN LLC - coal
Alpha Land & Reserves LLC - coal lessee
WBRD LLC - coal
Dickenson-Russell Coal Company LLC - coal lessee
Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. - oil & gas
Gas 17.25 Ac. 15.31%

21 Unleased Kenneth O'Quinn - surface, oil & gas 1.25 Acres & 0.50 Acres Gas 1.06 Ac. 0.94%

22 . Unleased Larry Deel - surface, oil & gas 1.0 Acres Gas 0.74 Ac. 0.67%

23 . Unleased Rebecca Bartley - surface, oil & gas 2.45 Acres Gas 0.04 Ac. 0.04%

24 . Unleased Cathy D. Owens - surface, oil & gas 5.0 Acres Gas 4.78 Ac. 4.24%

25 Lease No. 450511911 (1063796) Katherine Coleman - surface, oil & gas 41 Acres Gas 1.73 Ac. 1.55%

 Unleased Ricky Fearl Junior Yates - surface, oil & gas (1/2 int.) Michael Dylan Yates - surface, oil & gas (1/2 int.) 0.90 Acres Gas 0.87 Ac. 0.77%

27 Unleased Sadie Deel & Margiphine Yates, D/B/A Y & D Market - surface, oil & gas Parcel Gas 0.14 Ac. 0.12%

28 Lease No. 450511910 (1063790)
Delmar Wayne Dale, Sr. - surface, oil & gas (Life Estate)
Delmar Wayne Dale, Jr. (1/2 int. remainder)
Jonathan Wade Dale (1/2 int. remainder)
± 56.85 Acres
Gas 11.44 Ac. 10.15%